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In re Application of  
Timothy J. N. Watson et al  
Application No. 10/706,694  
Filed: November 12, 2003  
For: METHOD PREPARING INDAN-  
1,3-DICARBOXYLIC ACID

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: DECISION ON PETITION TO  
: REVIVE AND DECISION NOTING  
: JOINDER OF INVENTOR AND  
: PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)  
: MOOT

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) and 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed April 28, 2005 in response to the decision mailed March 8, 2005, which now includes a Declaration signed by previously nonsigning inventor Patrice Arpin in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63.

The Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) is GRANTED.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is dismissed as MOOT.

In view of the joinder of the inventor, further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is moot; this application does not have any rule 1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need not be returned to this office for any further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

This matter is being referred to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for preexamination processing.

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